

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:)	Group Art Unit: 3733
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Serial No.: 10/776,094)	Confirmation No.: 2357
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For: "POLYAXIAL CONNECTION)	
DEVICE AND METHOD")	

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of October 5, 2006. A statutory disclaimer fee of \$65.00 is enclosed in connection with the attached terminal disclaimer. Additionally, an extension fee of \$60.00 is enclosed in connection with the attached petition for a one month extension. Although the Applicant believes that no additional fees are due for filing this Amendment and Response, please charge any fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of the paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.